

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

1. On page 1, lines 5-7:

Cross-References to Related Applications

This application is a continuation of Application No. 10/050,806, filed 14 January 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,695,733, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/261,721, filed 12 January 2001.

2. On page 2, line 16:

The present invention, in one embodiment, provides a power transmission belt comprising a belt body formed of a cured elastomer composition, and a tensile member comprising a cord comprising at least one yarn formed of a carbon fiber, embedded in the belt body. The carbon fiber according to an embodiment of the invention is characterized by a tensile modulus in the range of from 50 giga Pascals ("GPa") to about 350 GPa and includes a cord treatment formed of a resorcinol-formaldehyde resin/rubber latex solution ("RFL") possessing an elastic modulus selected to result in belt growth of not more than 0.1% at 100°C after 48-hours under High Temperature Belt Growth Analysis. According to another embodiment, a method for manufacturing a power transmission belt possessing improved belt growth resistance is provided, comprising the steps of selecting the elastic modulus of a cord treatment for application to the yarn and/or one or more of its fibers forming the tensile cord such that it is within the range of from about 1.0×10^7 to about 5.0×10^8 dynes/cm² (about 1.0×10^6 to about 5.0×10^7 Nm⁻²) at 20°C, and it is within the range of from about 5.0×10^6 to about 3.0×10^8 dynes/cm² (about 5.0×10^5 to about 3.0×10^7 Nm⁻²) at 100°C.

In another embodiment the invention is directed to a belt possessing a belt length and comprising a belt body comprising a cured elastomer composition; a tensile member embedded in the belt body and comprising a yarn comprising a carbon fiber; a

cord treatment composition comprising an elastomer latex coating at least a portion of said carbon fiber and wherein said cord treatment composition further comprises a resorcinol-formaldehyde reaction product; and said cord treatment composition possesses an elastic modulus at a temperature of 20°C to be within the range of from about 1.0×10^7 dynes/cm² to about 5.0×10^8 dynes/cm², and at a temperature of 100°C to be within the range of from about 5.0×10^6 dynes/cm² to about 4.0×10^8 dynes/cm².

In a further embodiment the invention is drawn to a toothed belt possessing a belt length and comprising a belt body comprising a cured elastomer composition; belt teeth formed of the body and spaced apart at a pitch; a tensile member of helically spiraled cord embedded in the belt body and comprising a yarn comprising a carbon fiber; a cord treatment composition comprising an elastomer latex coating at least a portion of said carbon fiber, and wherein said carbon fiber yarn possesses a tensile modulus in the range of from about 150 GPa to about 275 GPa; said cord treatment composition possesses an elastic modulus at a temperature of 20°C to be within the range of from about 1.0×10^7 dynes/cm² to about 5.0×10^8 dynes/cm², and at a temperature of 100°C to be within the range of from about 5.0×10^6 dynes/cm² to about 4.0×10^8 dynes/cm²; and said cord possesses a twist at a rate selected from about 60 turns per meter and about 80 turns per meter.